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Annual Performance Report (APR)

Each state is required to complete and submit an APR to the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) every year for both Part C (*Early* On) and Part B (special education).



Part C APR, Indicator 8

- Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:
- A. IFSPs with transition steps and services;
- Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and
- Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B.

Timely

Timely transition planning means (for *Early On*) that the child has received a transition plan and a transition conference between the ages of 2 years 3 months and 2 years 9 months.



Transition Plan vs. Conference

All children exiting *Early On* because of age must have a transition plan which includes steps and services.

All children exiting *Early On* because of age, who are potentially eligible for Part B, must have a transition plan and a transition conference where the service coordinator, parents, and appropriate LEA personnel discuss the placement of the child.



Current Compliance, 8A

FFY	Baseline	Target	Actual
2005	44.6%		
2006		100%	73.9%
2007		100%	95.2%



Current Compliance, 8B

FFY	Baseline	Target	Actual
2005	100%		
2006		100%	100%
2007		100%	100%



Current Compliance, 8C

FFY	Baseline	Target	Actual
2005	65.2%		
2006		100%	85.5%
2007		100%	89.3%



Birth Mandate

And What It Means for Michigan

Birth Mandate means that a state has a law requiring special education services to start at birth. There are 5 birth mandate states:

Michigan, Iowa, Nebraska, Maryland, Minnesota

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In Michigan, children who are being served in Early On and who are "potentially eligible for Part B" are typically referred to special education well before their 3rd birthday. This does not negate the need for transitions but it does increase the likelihood that the LEA is notified (8B) and the child has an IEP before turning 3 (12).



How to Ensure Compliance

- Use the transition page of the state prototype IFSP/IEP.
- 2. Fill in every blank.
- Complete the transition plan and transition conference within the timeline (9 months to 3 months before the child turns 3).



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